



STATISTICAL ROUNDUP

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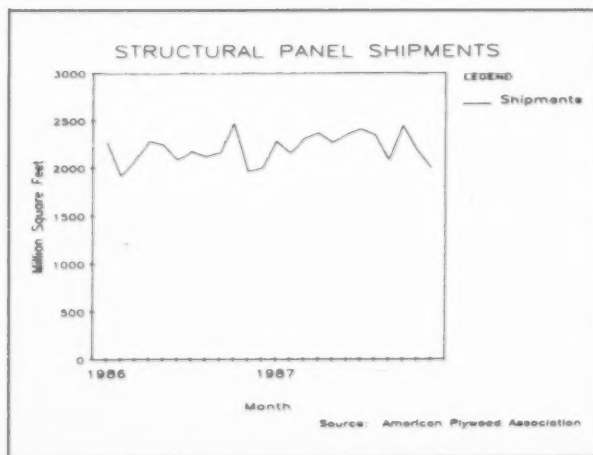
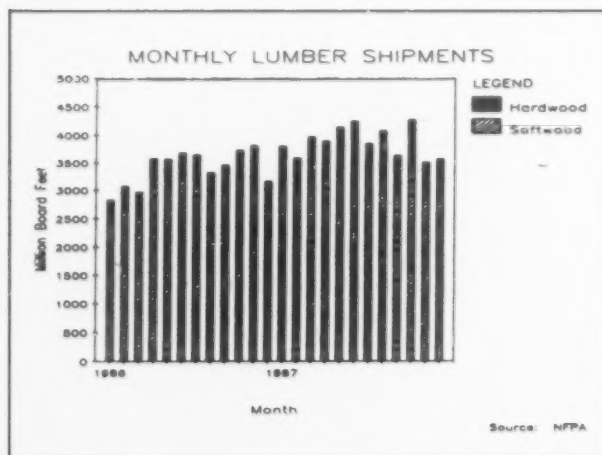
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ESTIMATED INDUSTRY TOTALS BY PRODUCING REGION

	DECEMBER, 1987					DECEMBER 31, 1987					NOVEMBER REVISIONS		
	Production	Shipments	Orders Received	Unfilled Orders	Gross Stocks	Production	Shipments	Orders Received					
	(Million Board Feet)					(Million Board Feet)							
SOFTWOOD LUMBER													
Southern Pine Region	958	947	1024	835	1,997	929	956	891					
Douglas Fir Region	678	725	717	547	732	745	717	704					
Western Pine Region	871	859	878	524	1,365	923	892	849					
California Redwood Region	153	176	170	123	376	168	167	175					
Other Softwoods	133	135	139	262	301	105	104	100					
TOTAL SOFTWOODS	2,793	2,842	2,928	2,291	4,771	2,870	2,836	2,719					
% Change - November 1987	-4.7%	0.0%	5.5%	3.9%	-1.0%								
% Change - December 1986	-1.2%	0.0%	5.5%	3.4%	-2.8%								
TOTAL HARDWOODS	716	734	724	532	1,412	279	301	288					
% Change - November 1987	12.2%	7.6%	9.9%	-1.8%	-0.7%								
% Change - December 1986	50.4%	35.7%	49.9%	6.2%	-13.7%								
TOTAL LUMBER	3,509	3,576	3,652	2,824	6,183	3,458	3,470	3,327					
% Change - November 1987	-1.7%	-0.1%	6.4%	2.8%	-0.9%								
% Change - December 1986	6.3%	5.9%	12.1%	3.9%	-5.5%								
* Included in Other Hardwoods													
FLOORING	(Thousand Feet)					(Thousand Feet)							
Oak Flooring (Bd. Ft.)	NA	12,248	NA	10,980	8,738	NA	14,290	NA					
Maple Flooring (Sq. Ft.)	945	977	777	3,388	1,815	814	949	1,137					
STRUCTURAL PANELS (Sq. Ft.)	1,972,321	1,997,271	2,359,181	840,095	324,000	2,196,406	2,184,373	1,710,984					
% Change - November 1987	-10.2%	-8.6%	37.9%	12.9%	-7.2%								
% Change - December 1986	-5.3%	0.0%	17.4%	30.0%	-15.2%								



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YEAR-TO-DATE INDICATORS

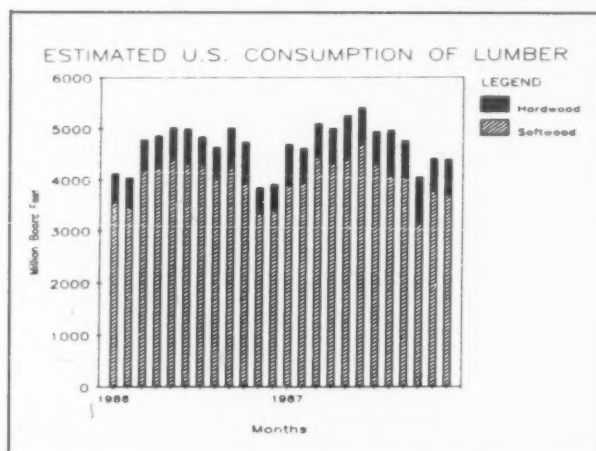
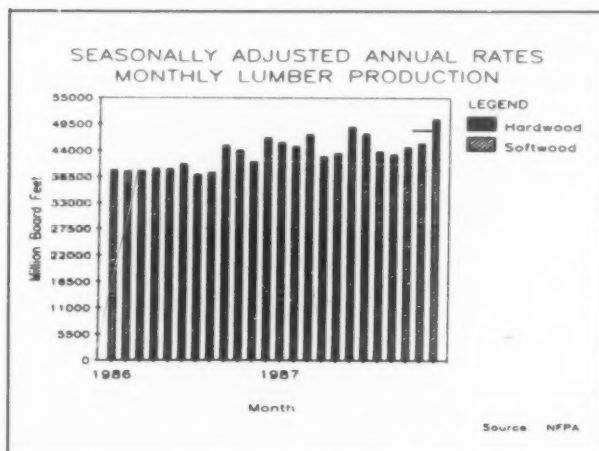
	PRODUCTION		SHIPMENTS		ORDERS RECEIVED	
	Latest Period Available	% Change	Latest Period Available	% Change	Latest Period Available	% Change
	12 mo. '87	12 mo. '86	12 mo. '87	12 mo. '86	12 mo. '87	12 mo. '86
TOTAL LUMBER	46,053	7.9%	(Million Board Feet)		47,190	9.8%
TOTAL SOFTWOOD	37,910	7.5%	47,090	10.5%	38,119	7.8%
TOTAL HARDWOOD	8,143	10.0%	38,045	8.3%	9,071	19.4%
			9,045	20.8%		
STRUCTURAL PANELS	27,538	6.0%	(Million Square Feet)		27,467	7.7%
			27,198	5.5%		

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ANNUAL RATES

LUMBER REGION	PRODUCTION			SHIPMENTS		
	Dec. '87	Nov. '87	% Change From Dec. '86	Dec. '87	Nov. '87	% Change From Dec. '86
	(Million Board Feet)			(Million Board Feet)		
Southern Pine	13,539	6.5%	8.6%	13,249	3.0%	15.5%
Douglas Fir	10,286	3.8%	-14.5%	9,901	6.6%	-12.4%
Western Pine	12,603	6.6%	0.8%	11,629	9.5%	-4.2%
Calif. Redwood	2,405	-0.5%	0.7%	2,363	2.5%	13.5%
Other Softwood	1,902	3.1%	-1.5%	1,808	4.1%	0.0%
TOTAL SOFTWOOD	40,735	5.2%	-1.4%	38,950	5.8%	0.4%
TOTAL HARDWOOD	9,933	28.3%	50.4%	10,010	22.7%	35.7%
TOTAL LUMBER	50,668	9.1%	5.7%	48,961	8.9%	6.0%

DOMESTIC LUMBER CONSUMPTION

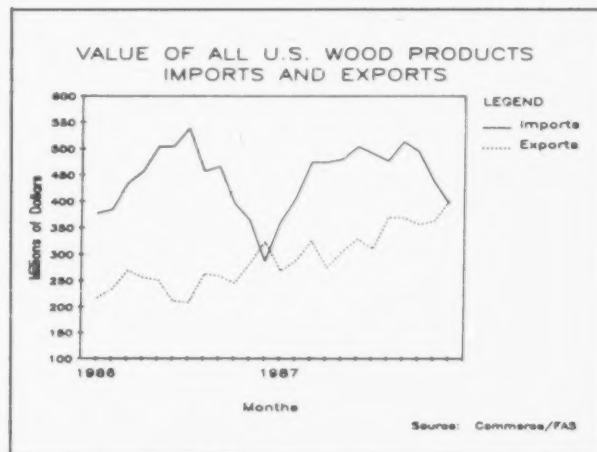
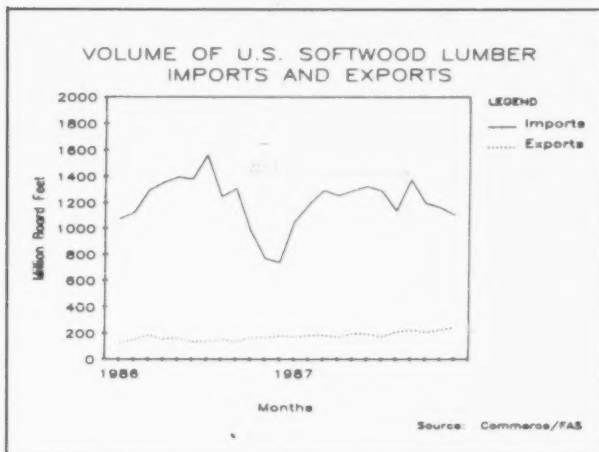
	CURRENT			YEAR-TO-DATE	
	Latest Month Available	% Change From		Latest Period Available	% Change From
	Dec. '87	Nov. '87	Dec. '86	12 mo. '87	12 mo. '86
Total Consumption	4,392	-1.8%	12.2%	59,090	7.8%
Softwood Consumption	3,701	-3.5%	9.1%	50,299	5.9%
Hardwood Consumption	691	8.0%	31.7%	8,791	19.9%



INTERNATIONAL TRADE STATISTICS

VOLUME					VALUE (F.A.S. Thousands of Dollars)				
		Dec. '87	12 mo. 1987	% Change From Nov. '87	% Change From 12 mo. 1986	Dec. '87	12 mo. 1987	% Change From Nov. '87	% Change From 12 mo. 1986
EXPORTS									
SOFTWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	247.3	2,423.3	8.3%	29.1%	85,454	850,361	6.4%	33.1%
To Canada	MMBF	33.5	445.4	17.3%	23.5%	10,426	115,072	15.4%	26.7%
SOFTWOOD LOGS	MMBF	344.6	3,959.1	12.2%	13.5%	149,483	1,526,032	4.5%	35.1%
SOFTWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSF 3/8"	123.3	795.5	72.8%	33.6%	29,810	179,024	96.3%	36.3%
HARDWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	83.0	775.1	-3.5%	55.6%	45,669	474,836	0.0%	40.8%
HARDWOOD LOGS	MMBF	18.7	149.3	23.3%	7.5%	14,894	118,277	34.9%	21.6%
HARDWOOD VENEER	MMSFsurf	113.4	1,115.1	19.9%	12.0%	12,428	111,934	49.4%	36.9%
PARTICLEBOARD	MMSF 3/4"	19.8	227.0	19.1%	32.0%	5,392	53,878	23.3%	56.8%
ALL OTHER	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	55,011	623,694	5.3%	12.6%
TOTAL U.S. EXPORTS	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	400,000	3,960,779	10.2%	31.1%
IMPORTS									
SOFTWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	1,106.0	14,677.4	-5.1%	3.1%	228,311	3,053,161	-4.4%	3.1%
From Canada	MMBF	1,099.5	14,564.3	-5.3%	3.2%	221,601	3,014,155	-6.3%	2.8%
SOFTWOOD LOGS	MMBF	3.6	68.7	-78.9%	31.7%	1,699	19,039	-69.5%	163.7%
SOFTWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSF 3/8"	11.0	143.6	-51.8%	9.1%	3,449	39,494	-35.8%	15.6%
HARDWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	39.0	511.0	-4.2%	47.3%	16,711	226,986	-16.7%	74.7%
HARDWOOD LOGS	MMBF	0.9	13.8	-7.9%	-47.5%	259	3,270	-19.3%	-20.8%
HARDWOOD VENEER	MMSFsurf	105.4	1,682.1	-27.9%	4.9%	11,237	141,800	-15.0%	24.0%
HARDWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSFsurf	269.2	3,950.2	-0.7%	3.8%	43,906	598,350	-6.7%	23.5%
HARDBOARD	MMSF 1/8"	50.6	832.3	-8.4%	-2.7%	3,734	62,865	-10.7%	12.1%
PARTICLEBOARD	MMSF 3/4"	130.1	1,305.1	26.3%	15.2%	12,055	150,079	-22.4%	9.8%
ALL OTHER	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	68,948	1,159,974	-17.4%	-3.2%
TOTAL U.S. IMPORTS	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	395,422	5,507,313	-9.6%	6.6%

Note: Volume total is not possible because the products are in different units of measure.
 Note: Particleboard imports include OSB/Waferboard.



HOUSING STARTS

	Jan. '88	Dec. '87	Jan. '87	1 mo. '88	1 mo. '87
	(Thousands of Units)				
NEW HOUSING UNITS STARTED					
Total Private & Public	78.5	85.7	105.1	78.5	105.1
New Private Starts	78.5	85.7	141.2	78.5	141.2
Seas. Adj. Annual Rate	1377.0	1404.0	1,804.0	1,377.0	1,804.0
Northeast	291.0	228.0	342.0	291.0	342.0
Midwest	223.0	285.0	426.0	223.0	426.0
South	469.0	566.0	587.0	469.0	587.0
West	394.0	325.0	449.0	394.0	1,036.0
One-Family Housing Starts	55.9	61.5	69.2	55.9	
Proportion of Total	71.2%				

INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT

	Nov. '87	Oct. '87	Nov. '86
	----% Change From----		
	(Thousands of Employees)		
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT (Seasonally Adj.)			
All Industries	103,244	0.3%	2.8%
All Manufacturing Industries	19,314	0.4%	1.9%
Lumber and Wood Products	744	0.4%	2.9%
Furniture and Fixtures	526	0.4%	5.4%

